

House Resolution 2041

By: Representatives Coan of the 101st, Horne of the 71st, Reese of the 98th, Byrd of the 20th, Mills of the 25th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Representative Tom Graves; and for other purposes

2 WHEREAS, Representative Tom Graves, a Republican who represents District 12, which
3 consists of Pickens County and the parts of Gordon County and Bartow County, has
4 established a reputation of applying conservative principles to solve the problems that
5 Georgians face on a daily basis; and

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7 WHEREAS, his always courteous, dignified, effective, and highly professional public service
8 and leadership has made his name dear to the hearts of his friends, constituents, colleagues,
9 and fellow citizens alike; and

10 WHEREAS, during the 2005 legislative session, Representative Graves organized The 216
11 Policy Group, which receives its name from its meeting place, Room 216 of the State
12 Capitol, and has served as its chairman since that time; and

13 WHEREAS, this gathering of members of the House of Representatives has met each
14 legislative day to examine, understand, discuss, and offer comments on each bill taken up by
15 this body in furtherance of the interests of the good citizens of this state; and

16 WHEREAS, this conservative policy caucus is credited with vetting legislation consistent
17 with the principals of less government, lower taxes, personal responsibility, and liberty and
18 justice for all; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative Graves demonstrated courage and great leadership in forming
20 The 216 Policy Group by being proactive and taking a stand on what is right and true
21 although not always popular; and

22 WHEREAS, the time has come for Representative Graves to disband the caucus in favor of
23 other endeavors; and

1 WHEREAS, many members of this body will sorely miss participating in The 216 Policy
2 Group under the leadership of Representative Graves; and

3 WHEREAS, his foresight and forthright determination have duly served and will continue
4 to serve the 12th District, this body, and all of the citizens of Georgia, and it is abundantly
5 fitting and proper that he be recognized by this body.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 the members of this body commend Representative Tom Graves for his many years of
8 distinguished public service and leadership and convey to him their best wishes for the
9 future.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Representative Tom Graves.